BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

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Docket No. R97-1

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RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS SHARKEY TO INTERROGATORY OF UNITED PARCEL SERVICE REDIRECTED FROM WITNESS PATELUNAS (UPS/USPS-T15-8(a), (b), (d), (e))

The United States Postal Service hereby provides the response of witness Sharkey to the following interrogatory of United Parcel Service: UPS/USPS-T15—8(a), (b), (d), (e), filed on July 29, 1997. This interrogatory was redirected to witness Sharkey from witness Patelunas, except for part (c), which was redirected to witness Alexandrovich.

The interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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INTERROGATORIES OF UNITED PARCEL SERVICE TO UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS PATELUNAS REDIRECTED TO WITNESS SHARKEY

UPS/USPS-T15-8. (Redirected from Witness Patelunas). Does the Postal Service provide seven day a week delivery in any market? If not, does the Postal Service have plans to provide seven day a week delivery in any market(s)? If the Postal Service is providing seven day a week delivery anywhere,

(a) In which market(s) is seven day a week delivery available?

(b) Is seven day a week delivery limited to a particular class or classes of mail?

(d) Does the Postal Service have plans to expand the markets in which seven day a week delivery is available? If so, please describe those plans.

(e) Does the Postal Service have plans to make permanent the seven day a week delivery policy? If so, please describe those plans.

Response:

- (a) The Postal Service provides seven day a week delivery in all markets.
- (b) Seven day a week delivery is limited to Express Mail.
- (d) No.
- (e) The seven day a week delivery policy for Express Mail is permanent.

DECLARATION

I, Thomas M. Sharkey, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing answers are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Thomas M. Sharkey

Dated:

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

Richard T. Cooper

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